



City of Warner Robins City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 18, 2020

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

Regular Meeting of Warner Robins City Council

Meeting conducted via teleconference* and in person, due to the State of Emergency issued by Governor Brian Kemp on March 13, 2020 concerning the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19). O.C.G.A. §50-14-1(g) allows cities to conduct a meeting via teleconference, without a requirement of having a quorum present in person, when "necessitated by emergency conditions,".

Presiding: Mayor Randy Toms

City Officials Present:

Councilman Daron Lee
Councilman Charlie Bibb
Councilman Keith Lauritsen

Councilman Kevin Lashley
*Councilman Clifford Holmes
*Councilman Larry Curtis

Opening Prayer: Councilman Curtis

Pledge of Allegiance: Councilman Lee

Call to Order: 5:31 p.m.

Adoption of the Agenda: Councilman Lauritsen moved to adopt the agenda. Councilman Curtis seconded the motion. Councilmen Lee, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for adoption of the agenda.

Presentation of Proclamations/Awards:

Action Items:

Action Item 1 Presentation of Minutes	
The minutes of the regular meeting of May 04, 2020 were presented for approval.	
Motion:	Councilman Bibb moved for the approval of the minutes for regular meeting of Monday, May 04, 2020

Second:	Councilman Lee
Outcome:	Councilmen Lee, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 2 Purchasing Coversheet

Purchasing Bid List item, attached hereto, were presented for approval.

Motion:	Councilman Lauritsen presented and moved for the approval of the Purchasing Bid Coversheet. One item.
Second:	Councilman Curtis
Outcome:	Councilmen Lee, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 3 Resolution – Joint Development Authority (JDA) of Peach County and the City of Warner Robins

Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins, acting pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-62-5.1, appoint the following three (3) individuals, who are each currently appointed to the Development Authority of Warner Robins by the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins and elected as Officers of the Development Authority of Warner Robins by the Development Authority of Warner Robins, to the Joint Development Authority of Peach County and the City of Warner Robins to act on behalf of the City of Warner Robins:

Name	Term to Expire
Fenika Miller	July 10, 2020
Tim Thomas	July 10, 2020
Robbin Gosline	December 16, 2020

Motion:	Councilman Lashley motioned to approve names listed but to also have projects approved by the JDA come to Mayor and Council for approval.
Second:	Councilman Bibb
Outcome:	Councilmen Lee, Lauritsen, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval. Councilmen Bibb and Lashley were opposed to approval.

Action Item 4 Resolution – Employee Promotions.

The following employees were recommended for promotion by their respective department.

- Mark Wright, promoted from Police Sergeant, Job Class #635, Grade 605, Police Department, to Police Lieutenant, Job Class #631, Grade 606, Police Department, to be effective May 18, 2020.
- Wayne Fisher, promoted from Police Sergeant, Job Class #635, Grade 605, Police Department, to Police Lieutenant, Job Class #631, Grade 606, Police Department, to be effective May 18, 2020.
- Bradley Mules, promoted from Police Sergeant, Job Class #635, Grade 605, Police Department, to Police Lieutenant, Job Class #631, Grade 606, Police Department, to be effective May 18, 2020.

Motion:	Councilman Lee moved for the approval of the employee promotions.
Second:	Councilman Bibb.
Outcome:	Councilmen Lee, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 5 Discussion – I-75 Visitors Information Center (VIC)

Councilman Curtis asked for a discussion on the VIC. Mayor provided update to include that the property owner had some concerns on how the land would be divided because of the road. Mayor will be meeting with Mr. Bateman and Mr. Sledge soon to discuss finalizing the land acquisition. There was questions as to if the contract for the contractor for building the VIC was still valid. Mayor also wanted the community to know that the train depot at Watson and Armed Forces Blvd. will remain open. He also mentioned there is approximately \$1.6 million in the hotel/motel tax for the building of the VIC.

Motion:	N/A
Second:	N/A
Outcome:	N/A

Action Item 6 Creation and Appointment of Neighborhood Committee

Mayor Toms created the Neighborhood Committee to tackle blight and cleanup in the areas of town that need a little attention. He appointed Councilmen Lee, Bibb and Curtis to the committee.

Motion:	N/A
Second:	N/A
Outcome:	N/A

Action Item 7 Ordinance # 12-20 – City of Warner Robins Employee Classification Plan Changes

Ordinance # 8-20 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins recommending the following changes in the City of Warner Robins Employee Classification Plan:

- Increase the authorized strength of Code Enforcement Official, Job Class #845, Grade 14, Building & Transportation Department, from (4) four to (5) five.

Motion:	Councilman Lashley presented Ordinance # - 20 for approval
Second:	Councilman Lauritsen
Outcome:	Councilmen Lee, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Action Item 8 Motion – Administrative Law Judge Appeal

A motion was made to uphold the Administrative Law Judges (ALJ) ruling on the appeal of the Cedric Allen with the stipulations that Mr. Allen would be moved to the position of Code Enforcement Officer, Grade 14, Step 5. He will be suspended 60 days without pay.

Motion:	Councilman Lauritsen moved for the approval of the motion.
Second:	Councilman Lee
Outcome:	Councilmen Lee, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval.

Closed Session: During the regular meeting, Mayor Toms requested a motion to enter into an executive session regarding personnel and potential litigation. Councilman Lauritsen moved for an executive session to discuss personnel and potential litigation. Councilman Lashley seconded the motion. Councilmen Lee, Bibb, Lauritsen, Lashley, Holmes and Curtis voted for approval of the motion. The regular meeting closed at 6:05 pm; the governing body convened into closed session at 6:09 pm; the closed session ended at 7:24 pm. The City Clerk's office is in possession of closed session minutes. The regular scheduled meeting reconvened at 7:28 pm.

Adjournment: 7:30 p.m.

Next Regular Council Meeting: Monday, June 1, 2020

CITY OF WARNER ROBINS, GEORGIA

COUNCIL DATE: May 18, 2020

WRITTEN REQUESTS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE CITY DEPARTMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS. THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS BE ACQUIRED. BY APPROVAL, AUTHORITY IS GIVEN FOR SUPPORTING CONTRACTS TO BE EXECUTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF THE CITY CODE: (Bid tabulations are attached)

BID NUMBER / ITEMS	VENDOR	COST	ACCOUNT NO. / BUDGET	COMMENTS
1) Ford F-150 X1C Bid No.: F-4310	Wade Ford, Inc. Smyrna, GA	\$27,328.00 See attachment #1	3520 54123 / 2018 SPLOST FIRE VEHICLE REPLACEMENT	



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